AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the sub-paragraph beginning on page 9, line 6 with the following rewritten version:

-- Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view of the damper disk assembly taken along line segments beginning at a center of the damper disk assembly indicated by 0 and continuing to an outer periphery indicated by III ~~O-III~~ of Fig. 2; --

Please replace paragraph [0043] beginning on page 15, line 13 with the following rewritten version:

-- The second torsion spring 59 is placed in the second spring support opening 62 and the second spring support lip 72 and is supported by them in radial and rotational directions. Further, both sides of the second torsion spring 59 are axially supported by the second spring support lip 72. While the rotational ends of the second torsion spring 59 abut radially extending portions of the second spring support lip 72 in the rotational direction, they are separated from the ends of the second spring support opening 62 in the rotational direction in a neutral position of the damper disk assembly 45. As shown Fig. 2, the gap between the end of the second torsion spring 59 on the R2 rotational direction side and the protrusion 52b on the R2 rotational direction side of the second torsion spring 59 is denoted as the first rotational direction gap 91 ($\theta 1$). Further, the gap between the end of the second torsion spring 59 on the R1 rotational direction side and the protrusion 52b ~~ion~~ on the R1 rotational direction side of the second torsion spring 59 is denoted as the fourth rotational direction gap 92 ($\theta 1'$). --

Please replace paragraph [0049] beginning on page 17, line 21 with the following rewritten version:

-- Next, description will be directed to the torsion characteristics of the damper disk assembly 45 shown in Fig. 5 using the mechanical circuit diagram of Fig. 4. Fig. 4 is a diagram for illustrating the positive side of the torsion characteristics (right half of Fig. 5). Starting from the neutral state shown in Fig. 4, the driven member 53 is twisted in the rotating direction R2 relative to ~~driven~~ the drive member 52. At this time, the drive member 52 is twisted toward the rotating direction R1 relative to the driven member 53, i.e., the drive side of the rotating direction. In the region up to the torsion angle θ1, each pair of first torsion springs 56A and 58B is compressed in parallel to each other or independently in the rotational direction. Further, within each pair of first torsion spring ~~56A~~ 58A and 58B, the springs 58A and 58B are compressed in series with each other or in end to end pushing relation in the pair. Since the pair of first torsion springs 58A and 58B is compressed in series in between members 52 and 53, a characteristic with a relatively low rigidity is achieved. To describe the operation of each pair more specifically, the pair of first torsion springs 58A and 58B (two pairs) is compressed via the intermediate float member 68 in the rotational direction between the end of the first spring support lip 71 in the rotational direction R1 and the end of the first spring support opening 61 in the rotational direction R2. At this time, the intermediate float member 68 rotates relative to the drive member 52 and the driven member 53 in accordance with the compression of the pair of first torsion springs 58A and 58B. --